

# HOUSE BILL No. 1558

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 11-12-5-7.

**Synopsis:** Medical care expenses of county jail inmates. Requires a court, as part of a sentence, to order a county jail inmate to reimburse a county for certain medical expenses incurred by the county in providing medical care to the inmate.

**Effective:** July 1, 2007.

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January 23, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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First Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2007)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning corrections.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 11-12-5-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.213-2005,  
2       SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3       JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 7. (a) As used in this section, "medical care  
4       expenses" refers to expenses relating to the following services provided  
5       to a county jail inmate:

- 6           (1) Medical care.
- 7           (2) Dental care.
- 8           (3) Eye care.
- 9           (4) Any other health care related service.

10       (b) Notwithstanding section 6 of this chapter and subject to  
11       subsection (c), as a term of a sentence, a court ~~may~~ **shall** order a county  
12       jail inmate to reimburse a county for all, ~~or~~ a portion **of, or none of the**  
13       medical care expenses incurred by the county in providing medical care  
14       to the inmate.

15       (c) A county jail inmate may not be required to reimburse a county  
16       for medical care expenses under this section if:

- 17           (1) all the charges for which the inmate was detained in the

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1 county jail are dismissed; or  
2 (2) the inmate is acquitted of all charges for which the inmate was  
3 detained in the county jail.  
4 (d) In determining the amount of reimbursement that an inmate may  
5 be required to pay under subsection (b), the court shall consider the  
6 inmate's ability to pay.  
7 (e) If a court orders a county jail inmate to reimburse a county for  
8 medical care expenses under subsection (b), the amount of the medical  
9 care expenses shall be reduced by the amount of any copayment the  
10 inmate was required to make for the medical care expenses under  
11 IC 11-10-3-5 or section 5 of this chapter.

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